

Request for City Council Committee Action

Date: March 25, 2003

To: Community Development Committee
Referral to: Ways & Means / Budget Committee

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Approved by: Robert D. Miller, Director _____

Subject: Hennepin County "Second 7.5%" NRP Funds for Ventura Village

Summary of the Request:

Approve the use of up to \$58,100 of Hennepin County's "Second 7.5%" NRP funds to support Ventura Village's portion of funding for the Franklin Avenue Safety Center in the Phillips Neighborhood for five years (2003-2007).

Recommendation:

- (1) Approve the use of \$58,100 of Hennepin County's "Second 7.5% NRP funds to support Ventura Village's portion of funding for the Franklin Avenue Safety Center in the Phillips Neighborhood for five years (2003-2007);
- (2) Amend the 2003 Minneapolis Community Development Agency ("MCDA") Appropriation Resolution by increasing the NRP Program Fund CNR0 by \$58,100;
- (3) Authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements needed to implement this request;
- (4) Refer this report to the MCDA Board of Commissioners for authorization of the appropriate MCDA officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement this request.

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The Honorable Lisa Goodman, Chair
Community Development Committee
Minneapolis City Council
315 City Hall
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55415

The Honorable Barbara Johnson, Chair
Ways and Means Committee
Minneapolis City Council
315 City Hall
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Re: Hennepin County "Second 7.5%" NRP funds for Ventura Village

Dear Chairpersons Goodman and Johnson:

At its meeting on January 27, 2003 the Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board approved the use of up to \$58,100 of Hennepin County's "Second 7.5%" NRP funds to support Ventura Village's portion of funding for the Franklin Avenue Safety Center in the Phillips Neighborhood for five years (2003-2007).

The Policy Board adopted the Phillips Neighborhood Action Plan on October 2, 1995. The City Council approved the plan on October 27, 1995. The four regions in Phillips, including Ventura Village, are now implementing the Phillips Neighborhood Action Plan. Hennepin County has reserved \$58,100 of "Second 7.5%" NRP funds for use by Ventura Village. The funding will be combined with funding from Phillips Weed and Seed, Minneapolis Empowerment Zone, Minneapolis Community Development Block Grant and American Indian Neighborhood Development Corporation to fully fund the operations of the Franklin Avenue Safety Center. The mission of the Franklin Avenue Safety Center is to promote police and community collaborations that reduce crime, exchange information, enhance crime prevention methods, and address livability issues in the Phillips Neighborhood. The Center will serve as a base for fostering problem-oriented policing, enhancing police services, and building a strong community/police partnership in the Phillips neighborhood.

Policy Board approval was contingent upon final approval by the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners. On February 18, 2003 the Commissioners approved this funding request.

On January 27, 2003 the Policy Board passed the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board hereby approves the use of up to \$58,100 of Hennepin County's "Second 7.5%" NRP funds to support Ventura Village's portion of funding for the Franklin Avenue Safety Center in the Phillips Neighborhood for five years (2003-2007).

The Honorable Lisa Goodman
The Honorable Barbara Johnson
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Pursuant to this resolution, I make the following recommendations for consideration by your committees:

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Sincerely,

Robert D. Miller
Director